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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DUAL LAUNCHES AT TYPE IIC SITES. OUR ANALYSIS  
REVEALS THERE ARE NO POSITIVE INDICATORS ON AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPHY  
TO SUPPORT THE POSSIBILITY THAT DUAL LAUNCHERS EXIST AT EACH LAUNCH  
AREA OF TYPE IIC LAUNCH SITES. RECENT EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM THE  
ANALYSIS OF THE TYPE IIC SITE IDENTIFIED AT GLADKAYA ICBM COMPLEX  
ON MISSION [ ] INDICATES THAT AN ENVIRONMENTAL SHELTER OR HOLD  
BUILDING (40 BY 100 FEET) WILL BE A PERMANENT PART OF THE TYPE IIC  
LAUNCH PADS. PAD DESIGN INDICATES THAT THE BUILDING ON THE LAUNCH  
POINT MAY BE MOVABLE AND WILL SLIDE FORWARD FROM THE LAUNCH POINT.  
FURTHERMORE, THE HOLD BUILDING ON THE LAUNCH POINT, THE LAUNCH PAD  
DESIGN, AND THE ABSENCE OF THE LOOP ROAD AROUND THE TOP OF THE SITE  
ARE INDICATORS THAT THE MISSILE WILL PROBABLY BE IN A READY POSITION  
AT THE LAUNCH POINT. THE TWO CANTED BUILDINGS WHICH ARE SITUATED  
INBOARD OF EACH LAUNCH PAD APPEAR TO HAVE A CONDUIT CONNECTION TO  
THE MAIN CONDUIT THAT EXTENDS BETWEEN LAUNCH PADS SUPPORTING THE

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POSSIBILITY THAT THEIR FUNCTION IS LAUNCH POINT SERVICING. THE CANTED STRUCTURES ARE PROBABLY PUMP HOUSE UNITS AND PROPELLANT STORAGE. THE MODE OF OPERATION DESCRIBED ABOVE WOULD BE SIMILAR TO THE MODE OF OPERATION EMPLOYED BY THE THOR MISSILE SYSTEM. ADDITIONALLY, WE BELIEVE THE CRUCIFORM CONFIGURED AREA FORMERLY IDENTIFIED AS A PROBABLE GUIDANCE FACILITY IS POSSIBLY A WARHEAD STORAGE FACILITY. THE CRUCIFORM CONFIGURATION COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH TYPE IV LAUNCH SITES HAS NOW BEEN NOTED AT THE TYPE IIC SITES AND AT THE TYPE III SITE (LAUNCH 1). AT THE OMSK COMPLEX. IN ADDITION TO THE CRUCIFORM THE TYPE IV SITES NOW HAVE AN ASSOCIATED INTERFEROMETER FACILITY. CONCLUSION: THERE ARE NO POSITIVE INDICATORS TO SUPPORT THE POSSIBILITY THAT TYPE IIC LAUNCH SITES CONTAIN DUAL LAUNCHERS AT EACH LAUNCH AREA; RECENT EVIDENCE SUGGESTS, HOWEVER THAT EACH LAUNCH PAS WILL CONTAIN A STRUCTURE WHICH WILL HOUSE A MISSILE IN A READY POSITION AT THE LAUNCH POINT.

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